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Applicant:	Matthew A. Stillerman; Dexter Kozen; Thomas J. Merritt	Confirmation No.	9058
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Title:	ACTIVE VERIFICATION OF BOOT FIRMWARE		

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 7, 2007, the period of response for which runs through December 7, 2007, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.